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ARCHIVES BOX REVIEW FORM

TEAM	RESEARCHER	SITE	DATE REVIEWED
Jun 7	O'Connor	NARA	5-2-00

Record Group: 59

Entry Number: N/A

Entry Name: Recs of IRO DP Subject Files

Box Number: 16

Box Location: 250/49/30/06

Extent reviewed:

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Copies made: (YES) or NO — tagged, anyway as of 5/2/00

Looked at "DP - Restitution of Property" files (2)
They have several memos + cables on policy/
practice of IRO re: nonmonetary gold,
(amounts)

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ARCHIVES BOX REVIEW FORM

TEAM	RESEARCHER	SITE	DATE REVIEWED
Junz	O'Connor	NARA	4/29 - 5/2

Record Group: 59

Entry Number: N/A

Entry Name: Recs of the IRO, IRO Subject File

Box Number: 6, 7, 14, 21, 22, 23.

Box Location: 250/49/30/01 →

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Box 7 has auction catalogues, of very great interest to all teams & entire Commission. Gen Good Team Team were immediately notified of this find.

Box 14 has Schwartz report ("Reparations - Schwartz") file - the only record I found of financial info on non-monetary gold to IRO. Key document. →

Box 14: also has files called "reparations" which include a few cables establishing IRO policy + practice on non monetary grd.

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ARCHIVES BOX REVIEW FORM

TEAM	RESEARCHER	SITE	DATE REVIEWED
Juarez	O'Connor	NARA	3/7/00

Record Group: 466

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs Relating to Restriction of Property

Box Number: 1-10

Box Location: 250/84/23-24/7

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Looked at files pertaining to restriction of property - found many purely statistical reports. Gives the figures on restriction of duress properties thru 1957.

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TEAM	RESEARCHER	SITE	DATE REVIEWED
Jent	E. O'Connor	NARA	3-3

Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of Legal Divisn: Legal Files

Box Number: 43-65

Box Location: 390 | 44 | 11 | 2-5

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Reviewed all boxes on Property Control. Most interesting box is #65 dealing with restitution (external) - to countries. Cables, etc.

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Jun2	O'Connor	NARA	3-2-00

Record Group: 260

Entry Number: PC & Excluded Assets

Entry Name: Prop. Control Case Files

Box Number: 34 – 54

Box Location: 390/44/21/02

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cases (individual) of properties taken under control - all for reasons of properties being Allied, duress etc.
was not able to find a pattern as to which #s correspond to duress versus other reasons for taking under control

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Lunz	O'Connor	NARA	3-2-00

Record Group: 151

Entry Number: 1

Entry Name: Gen'l Recs 1914-1958

Box Number: 2547

Box Location: 570/56/24/04

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Reports from 1928-1938 on the economic situation in Germany.

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Dunz	EO'C	NARA	10/99

(20-25)

Record Group: 265

Entry Number: 2

Entry Name: TFR-500 Series A II

Box Number: → Boxes 459-575 ✓

Box Location:

450/69/26/04

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Examined select files to determine date and extent of US investments overseas — also damages/seizure due to war.

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Diaz	O'Connor	NARA	10/99 (20-25)

Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of the Econ. Div. / Decartelization Branch

Box Number: Boxes 180-196 B ✓

Box Location:

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Information on German cartels and individual companies of which they are composed.

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Jun 2	O'Connor	NARA	9-10-99

Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of the Branch Chief, Prop Div.

Box Number: 12

Box Location: 390/44/20/07

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"Internal Restriction Law"
Has complete text of Law 59 - (I think)

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of The Branch Chief

Box Number: 15

Box Location: 390/44/20/07

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Copies made: marked but not made **YES or NO**

"Law 59" file

Top memo: 2-1-49 - notes differing interps of Law 59 per German authorities.
Hartzsch requests translations of docs. too.

Ordinance No. 162 - assigns restitution resps. to the Lander

Jan 17, 1949 - Letter from Hartzsch announcing inspection of Restit. Authorities in Hesse

Text of Reg 5, Law 59

Pink memo - "Requirement of Copies of Decisions" - states that supervision of Law 59 is done by Prop. Control + External Assets Branch + by Bd. of Review.

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Sept. 28, 1948 Landesrat requests comments regarding review of an achm.

Note - many interps of Law 59 in this file!

Apr 12, 1949 - Hautzsch - "on policy of non-intervention in proceedings of Restitution agencies + courts on matters of substance"
Issue: dispute of a custodian in Hesse.

~~Letter - Mar. 22, 1949~~

March 1949 - Letter from P. Hawkins regarding officials + conflicting interests vis-a-vis Law 59

Feb. 1, 1949 - OMG Bavaria finds flaw in many Law 59 claims - "grievances against neighbors"

25 Feb 1949. (given) letter - claimants per Law 59 not persecutees but prop. taken under duress.

OMG Bavaria - Feb 16, 1949: Interference of a Dr Auerbach in Amic. Sett. Cases.

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of the Branch Chief, Prop. Div.

Box Number: Box 18

Box Location: 390/44/20/07

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File "Material for Manly Reports - Internal Restitution" HICOG status reports on restitution. Valuable documents. May 5, 1950 - Letter - unsigned - noted war parties were formerly "more inclined to agree" on amic. settlements notes that there is more outspoken opposition to Restitution "Jews have turned in the oppressor and hunters" under Restitution Laws (newspaper, Die Restitution).

Apr. 4, 1950 - "Review of Major Activities" Hesse has denazified + reinstated former employees w/ legal training to help (?) with Restitution (p. 2)

p. 3 - notes JRSO attacked for pursuing restitution in cases where former owner chose not to claim.

2-7-50 - Letter - confusion btwn Gen'l Claims Law + Law 59

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File: "Policy Matters"

LPCC Meeting Minutes Jan. 22-4 1947

p. 5: notes problems with German civilians' inability to read English

a translation of Title 17 was done but there was no paper to reproduce it.

But - translation would not be "official"

p. 8: Confusion w/ respect to "G" (address) props.

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dunz	E. O'Connor	NARA	9-10-99

Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of the Branch Chief, Prop Div

Box Number: 23

Box Location: 390/44/20/7

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"Reports: Property Control Meetings"
Minutes of LPCCs w/ Heads of German Restr. Agency
p4 "Mr. Cassaday pointed out that MG does not want to administer Law No 59, for many the job of the Germans themselves"
p4 "The policy of the Lil Gov is that the Lil Gov is not the proper agency to interpret Law 59, but that this must be done by the Restitution Agencies, the Restitution Chambers and... the Bd of Review"
p5 Defines "identifiable prop"

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p6 cites German const code w/regd to restitution
p5 Cassoday "I cannot interpret the law..."
Idea: stolen prop. under Germ. law

p7 Ministry of Finance: Hesse - objects to restitution of money + moveable property

Hartzsch - chief - Prop Div.
instructs LPCC (Land Prop Control Chiefs)
They in turn instruct German agencies.

p8 Comments of Finance Ministry of W-B - "When we see that a claim made against us is well founded..."

(p12)* "Neither Law 52 nor Law 59 provide that prop. must be taken under control ... our policy now is that property will be taken under control in every case where a claim has been filed

p12 Sect. 51, Law 59: presumption of clean claims — persecutees. Interesting reasoning - omgus wanted speedier assessment than G. law provides.

p14 - Rep. of W-B reports problems in handling amicable settlements - "Lack of sufficient instructions" - matters had to be cleared by Legal "A number of am. Sett. were made w/out prior filing of petitions w/ CFA."

p15 - Rep of W-B states: wanted to make Restit. Law effective immed. "We had very satisfactory results in obtaining amic sett." Then they learned that they did not follow omgus wishes!

p15 - Rep of Hesse: "It is the main task of Restitution Agencies to settle claims amicably"

16 - Cassoday affirms goal of speedy restitution thru amic sett.

Restitution claims should neither be from Nazis nor "pro-persecutee" (!)

** very valuable

p. 2
Box 23

p. 17 Rep of Bavaria
Has "Amicable Settlements Committees"
Some members "incited through persecutory measures" but this scheme now remedied

p 18 Cassoday explains JSRO – succint.

Also in file, "Report on the Admin of MG LS9 for period Nov. 10, 1947 – Aug. 30, 1948"
Valuable report

File: "Restitution – Law 59 etc."

summary of General Claims Law – (dated 9-30-49)

File: "Restitutions"

12-10-48 re Claims for Restr of Prop.
Miller – argues for quick settlement of restr claims because "a prolonged program may result in resistance" – more pros of "admin + supervision"

June 1948: The case of Roumanian worker accused of bringing back stolen prop from Jews – referred to External Restitution

Nov 21, 1945 – Serious restitution issues raised by

OMG B/W - illustrates the extraordinary difficulties given length of time until Law 59-2 YEARS LATER!

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Records of the Exec. Office

Box Number: 607

Box Location: 390|40|31|06

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File: "Restitution Vol. II"

"Reporting system for Supervision of Law 59"

"Instructions on Reporting Procedure". Law 59

File: "Restitution Vol. I"

Letter from R. Mann - processing Law 59 deadline w/response from Economics Advisor

Restitution Authorities under MG&59": describes admin. setup of Laender

"Status of Cases in Restitution Courts" (Feb. 2, 1949)

"Report by MG of Copies of Decisions + Opinions in Restitution Proceedings" (1-25-49)

Letter to Dr. Flesch-Re: deadline issues

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Text of Reg 5, MGL 59;

Letter of 1-25-49 to Clay protesting deadline for MGL 59;

Brief, Jan. 1-12-49 and letter from Clay rejecting German legal entities subsidiary to JRSO;

Cables on intent of Law 59.

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs of the Executive Office

Box Number: 608

Box Location: 390/40/31/06

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- ____ Specific documents only

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Copies made: YES or NO (handwritten)

File: "Restrictions Vol III"

Rejection of mass claims by JRSO after deadline (letter of P. Hawkins; Apr. 25 '49)

Copies of restriction regs + laws

Jul. 19, 1949 letter to McCloy describing progress on restrictions

Cable: CC-8490 May 22 auth. to sell unidentifiable diamonds "in the German economy"

Cable CC-6871 Nov '48 def. of meritorious claim

" CC-8819 rejected claim, can't identify

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Letter from Clay, 1-4-49, rejecting B'nai Brith application to be an SO; cites JSRO existence.

3-3-49: letter from E. Warburg, VP of JRSO, pledging to assist B'nai Brith to recover its property.

Letter (Apr. 2) from Clay to Goldman (Pres of B'nai Brith) on Status of BB property in Germany.

"Vol. IV" file

8-1-49 McClay to Weil (Pres., Axis Victims League) re ISSUE of app. deadline for Berlin restitution

JRSO claims will mean because many duplicated claims of individual living claimants "In all these cases the rights of individual claimants will be respected by JRSO"

4-12-49: copy of an actual restitution case in Mannheim

7-14-49 protest by Jewish community in Berlin against law signed in draft about restitution cases restricted to claims of RM 10,000 or more / valuable

Nov. 4 and Dec. 16, 1948: Interesting exchange of letters between an atty. representing a claimant and an amous Adjutant General: reveals all the difficulties involved in individual restitution efforts. (Last item in file)

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: Recs. of Office of Adjutant General

Box Number: 111

Box Location: 390/40/21/05

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File: "Restitution (Policy)"

Memo of 1-10-46: objections to restitution law by Office of Political Affairs: gaps w/ regard to proper restitution for prosecutees. Objections to turning functions over to German courts Very valuable

Memo on "Restitution or other Disposition of Valuables contained in FED" points out lack of experts on FED thus lack of ability to inventory thus lack of ability to restitute Very valuable

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Juaz	O'Connor	NARA	9-8-99

Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: OMG Exec Off / Records of Property Division - Reparations & Restitution Branch

Box Number: 471

Box Location: 390/41/10 03

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Copies made: YES or NO In papers sitting without file:

Memo from Phillips Hawkins to General Clay 3-14-49 acknowledging first deliveries of non-identifiable Jewish properties made to the JCR in March, 1949
22 boxes containing 4,000 books

(in unlabeled file)

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: OMG Hesse-Prop. Division Recs.

Box Number: 1257

Box Location: 390/49/30/01

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"LCAH to PC (General)" file

Memo of Mar 2, 1949 - Notes misclassification of "G" (duress) props as "A" properties. Potentially very valuable info. because these props were thus released from control + now filing deadline has passed.

List of small properties formally Jewish owned and AG's cover memo recommending they be released from control

Memo - LCAH Hesse - disputing value of prop. calculated by former Jewish owners

Nov. 21, 1947 from LCAH Hesse to Dr. Bergmann: Applic. of Law 52 to firms. (if >50% of corp. capital is subject to Law 52)

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OMG Hesse and Main to PC Division 8-23-47

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Letter of Feb. 4, 1948 OMG-Hesse
Grants discretion over determination of prop values to each German Agency Head.

Letter - Jan. 26, 1948 - to Ministry of Finance
from Hesse Landeszentralbank (Muller)
CAH had released blocked property owned by wives + minor children of politically implicated husbands/fathers.
Issue of policy interpr clashes betw Mil Gov. and local German gvt.

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Jun 3	O'Connor	NACP	9-7-99

Record Group: 260

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Entry Name: OMGUS: Recs. of The Property Division.

Box Number: 13

Box Location: 390/44/20/04

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Jewish Displaced Persons + Property File:

USGCC memo of Nov. 20, 1945: references that restoration of Nazi victims property is now just under consideration.

Jan. '46 - letter indicating study still in progress.

Letter from Am'n Jewish Conference - recs. as to disposition of Jewish property/victims of Nazism.

List of German Jewish confiscated properties of orgs. (Latest)

Note - Dec. 19, 1946 - states need to develop policy on how to handle this + related items.

Visit of World Jewish Congress + reactions of OMGUS

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Letter from LCAH Bavaria:
Property of Nat'l Assn of Jews in Germany
rec'd to be treated as prop. of Nazi victims,
not prop. of Nazis.

List of organized firms 1-15-46

Letter from Dr. Rumkleen to E. J. Cassoday
Concerning ascertainment of Jewish property
very valuable Indicates that Omgus
knew how to ID Nazi victim property.
+ Memo of 11-21-47 - files re: formerly Jewish owned securities
Memo from M. K. Wise: estimates of Jewish
property values

AJR Information - a newsletter of the Assn of
Jewish refugees in Gr. Britain - notes that as of
3/47, restitution still being worked out

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Entry Number:

Entry Name: OMGUS/Allied Control Authority Gen'l Recs

Box Number: 36

Box Location: 390/50/25/03

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"Disposition of Heirless Prop" file

"The city of Berlin is designated as the sole heir of all heirless properties in all its districts" - declaration by Magistrate of Berlin

Matter referred to ACC - decision nullified (occurred before Berlin's restitution laws passed)

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: OMGUS Executive Office / Recs. of Property Division - Restitution Branch

Box Number: 469

Box Location: 390/41/10/03-4

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✓ Specific files only Corresp. Files of Mr. Malcolm Jones
____ Specific documents only

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The correspondence files contain evidence supporting the restitution policy for countries as opposed to individuals.

There is also an interesting case of protest on the part of some diamond owners in Belgium vis-à-vis U.S. restitution policy (Copy of letters to be made).

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Record Group: 260

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Entry Name: OMGUS. General Recs. Prop. Div.

Box Number: 1252

Box Location: 390/49/30/01

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File "Duress Property"

Policy + procedure on handling of duress properties - mostly at the Land level but with oversight from OMGUS.

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Record Group: 260

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Entry Name: OMGUS Prop. Div. - Prop. Control

Box Number: 21

Box Location: 390/44/20/04

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Properties of victims of nazi oppression
not very useful - just indicating
that records will be kept -

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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: OMG Hesse - Prop. Division files

Box Number: 1261

Box Location: 390/49/30/01

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"Former Jewish Owned Property" File

Lists of former Jewish-owned props not yet under control (in 7/47) (in Hesse only)

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clip: "compromise" prior to 59
clip: impasse 07/14/1999 pg
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Record Group: 260

Entry Number:

Entry Name: OMGUS: Property Division

Box Number: 7

Box Location: 390/44/20/04

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"Duress Properties" file (aka "6 Properties")
Policy interpretations of interest: settlement of duress claims out of court + prior to enactment of Restitution Laws (authorization to Land from OMGUS); permission of mortgages on duress property; release of 6 properties
Duress properties were reported on form MG/PC/2/F
Duress properties subject to OMGUS control per MGL 52, Art. I, para. 2.
Valuable document from a Land German agency Head for Hesse objecting to OMGUS policies + practices — arguing for more autonomy + leniency.

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Record Group: 260

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Entry Name: Property Division

Box Number: 15

Box Location: 360/44/20/01-3

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Copies made: (YES) or NO

"Restitution" File.
Document - untitled, says "confidential" @ top left margin
Strong statements about weaknesses in restitution policy + procedures.
(See underlined sentences in document)
Also!- memos summarizing suspension, functions and organization of restitution
2. memos indicating administrator weakness
Also states criterion of balancing restitution with need to strengthen German economy.

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Entry Name: Property Division

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"Restitution Chambers" file
See: "Memo concerning the operation of the Restitution Program under MOL 59"
Goes over the emphasis on output + efficiency in the restitution process.

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Record Group: 260

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"Meetings / Conferences" file
Report of the Admin of MGL 59
10-Nov-49 to 30-8-48
Excellent discussion of the administration of the restitution Law at each of the Lander - shows similarities & differences. Note: role of German courts / administrators / arbitrators, etc.
p. 6. Note - Board of Review can review all decisions
p. 7 Admin of Restitution Law is up to German Restitution Authorities.

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p 9 Discusses Restitution in Berlin.
notes that 59 does not apply,
situation "most unsatisfactory", since
substantial duress property is in Berlin.

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File "Law 59: Filing Deadline" (File #2)

"Property cannot Intermew"

p. 37 External Assets group did no accounting for intangibles, patents, licensing agreements, goodwill. "We could not value them."

p. 38 Describes the chaos surrounding external assets reporting: "we had no idea of the purpose... of this law, what to use the info for, how to summarize it..."

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p. 38 Also describes how Finance and Economics Divisions worked at cross purposes (wipe out German external influence v. build up Germany's foreign trade in postwar years)

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Recs of The Property
Division
Boxes 1-18 (Review Forms + Copies)
- Crucial Docs. for Final Report —
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File: "Report to U.S. Property Control Office on Property in U.S. Sector of Berlin Formerly Owned by Jewish People"

Aggregate revenue from properties
names of Jewish owners

Very valuable document

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"Special Legal Unit" files

Has list of 18 companies in Austria with U.S. interests (report called "Business Holdings in Austria of US Firms")

Based on TFR-500 Filings

Dated Oct. 1944

More esp: Standard Oil, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Int'l Standard Electric Co.

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"Staff Studies" file. "Laenderrat requests MG to take action..." 1-20-49
Policy: Jews leaving testaments
to avoid their property being
seized by, THE Reich
Also-Other legal opinions on MGL 59-

Memo to Mr. Porter
Subj: Indemnification of General Claims Law
Nov 5, 1948
Covers legal opinions on This Law

Also see "Subject: General Claims Law" (memo)
Policy statements on restitution.

Also: Nov. 7, 1948
TO Mr. Porter
re: International Refugee Organization
More background on General Claims Law

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"Law 59" file:
Describes interpretations and applications of Law 59 - resistance on part of restitutors, in particular.

"Law 59: Legal Opinions" file
Summarizes the basis of authority, powers and limitations of zone commanders in occupied countries.

"Amicable Settlements" memo - policy + practice
Also - memo to Colonel Raymond, 7-7-48, concerns possible interference in restitution cases. →

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Memo to B. Osterloy
June 23, 1949
Concerns organized property
restitution policy.

Letter to W. Dickman
6-24-48
"Custodian" versus "trustee"
(translation issues)
need to expedite restitution

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"External Assets" file: Summaries of real property practices for filings under MGL 53.

Also see memo to J. Gartenbein, dated 8 Feb. '49, discussing policy on treatment of external assets of Nazi victims.

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File 39 "Property control" file
① Summaries treatment of duress properties under MGL 59.
② Also - anonymous, untitled memo stating that property trustees may have "acquired" prop. from persecutees
File 35 "Patents"
Patents will not revert to pre-war owners.

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"Property (General)" File (File 7).
Summarizes the restitution laws in effect in Berlin before Berlin was made subject to MGL 59. "Property Problems"
Also see file: "Property Control Problems still
Document: requiring attention:
[illegible] file "[illegible]"
P. 2 discusses difficulty of evaluating intangible assets.

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File "ABC/Special Committee (49) 3"

See May 27, 1949 "US memo on Currencies" re: Proposals"

Resume of US policy on securities pursuant to MGL 53.

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Re: MGL 59
See File "Restitution of Identifiable Property - General" (File 57)
Excellent summary of Law 59

Also: "Law 59: Expediting Plan"
Minutes of Conference at Bad Neuheim, 12-14-49
Describes problems with restitution wrap-up
Also: (Separate item) A flow chart on property control process, including restitution agencies.

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File: "Property Control Interview"
Describes general practices of the Property Control Division
very informative

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"Restitution of Securities" file
File 31
24 Sept 1947
p 7 Difficulties of establishing "duress" in the case of securities.

see also DROR/Memo (47) 116
"Securities known to be German-owned prior to the occup. should not be subject to restitution"

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